

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Canceled).

2. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 wherein each of said first and second transparent plates is made of glass.

3. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 2 further comprising an electromagnetic interference shield positioned between said first transparent plate and said liquid crystal display panel.

4. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 3 wherein said electromagnetic interference shield is an indium tin oxide thin film coating applied to the first transparent plate.

5. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 further comprising a third transparent plate, said third transparent plate being positioned in front of said front polarizer.

6. (Original) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5 wherein each of said first, second and third transparent plate is made of glass.

7. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 6 further comprising an anti-reflection coating, said anti-reflection coating being applied to the front of said third transparent plate.

8. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5 wherein said third transparent plate is made of plastic, said third transparent plate being textured to reduce glare.

9. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5 further comprising a transparent thin film, said transparent thin film having an anti-reflective coating on a front side thereof and an index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive on a rear side thereof, said index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive being placed in contact with said third transparent plate.

10. (Withdrawn - currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 further comprising a first compensation film and a second compensation film, said first compensation film being positioned between said first polarizer and said liquid crystal display panel, said second compensation film being positioned between said second polarizer and said liquid crystal display panel.

11. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 wherein said liquid crystal display panel is an active matrix liquid crystal display panel.

12. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 further comprising a backlight, said backlight being positioned behind said second transparent plate.

13. (Withdrawn - currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim + 15 further comprising a heating element adapted to be connected to a power source, said heating element being positioned between said rear polarizer and said second transparent plate.

14. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 13 wherein said heating element comprises an indium tin oxide coating applied to said second transparent plate.

15. (Currently amended) ~~The~~ A liquid crystal display ~~as claimed in claim +~~ comprising:

- (a) a first transparent plate;
- (b) a second transparent plate;

(c) a liquid crystal display panel positioned between said first and second transparent plates, said liquid crystal display panel comprising a first transparent substrate, a second transparent substrate, liquid crystal material positioned between said first and second transparent substrates, a first transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said first transparent substrate, and a second transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said second transparent substrate;

(d) a rear polarizer positioned between said liquid crystal display panel and said second transparent plate, wherein said rear polarizer is adhered directly to said liquid crystal display panel; and

(e) a front polarizer positioned in front of said first transparent plate, said front polarizer being crossed relative to said rear polarizer.

16. (Previously presented) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 5 wherein said front polarizer is adhered directly to said third transparent plate.

Claims 17-37 (Canceled).

38. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display comprising:

(a) a liquid crystal display panel, said liquid crystal display panel comprising a first transparent substrate, a second transparent substrate, liquid crystal material positioned between said first and second transparent substrates, a first transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said first transparent substrate, and a second transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said second transparent substrate;

(b) a rear polarizer assembly positioned behind said liquid crystal display panel, said rear polarizer assembly comprising a rear polarizer and a first index-matched pressure sensitive

adhesive, said rear polarizer having a front side and a rear side, said first index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive being positioned on said front side of said rear polarizer;

(c) a front polarizer assembly positioned in front of said liquid crystal display panel and separated from said liquid crystal display by an air gap, said air gap ~~formed~~ being defined by said front polarizer assembly and said first transparent substrate of said liquid crystal display, said front polarizer assembly comprising a front polarizer and a second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive, said front polarizer being crossed relative to said rear polarizer and having a front side and a rear side, said second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive being positioned on said front side of said front polarizer; and

(d) a transparent cover, said transparent cover being positioned in front of said front polarizer assembly and in contact with said second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive.

39. (Original) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 38 wherein said transparent cover is a glass plate.

40. (Original) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 38 wherein said transparent cover is a plastic plate.

41. (Previously presented) A liquid crystal display comprising:

(a) a liquid crystal display panel, said liquid crystal display panel comprising a first transparent substrate, a second transparent substrate, liquid crystal material positioned between said first and second transparent substrates, a first transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said first transparent substrate, and a second transparent electrode positioned between said liquid crystal material and said second transparent substrate;

(b) a rear polarizer assembly positioned behind said liquid crystal display panel, said rear polarizer assembly comprising a rear polarizer and a first index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive, said rear polarizer having a front side and a rear side, said first index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive being positioned on said front side of said rear polarizer;

(c) a front polarizer assembly positioned in front of said liquid crystal display panel and separated from said liquid crystal display by an air gap, said front polarizer assembly comprising a front polarizer and a second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive, said front polarizer being crossed relative to said rear polarizer and having a front side and a rear side, said second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive being positioned on said front side of said front polarizer; and

(d) a transparent cover, said transparent cover being positioned in front of said front polarizer assembly and in contact with said second index-matched pressure sensitive adhesive wherein said transparent cover is a touch panel.

42. (Withdrawn - currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 38 41 wherein said rear polarizer assembly further comprises a first compensation film, said first compensation film being positioned between said rear polarizer and said first index-matched, pressure sensitive adhesive and wherein said front polarizer assembly further comprises a second compensation film, said second compensation film being positioned behind said front polarizer.

43. (Withdrawn - currently amended) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 38 41 further comprising an anti-reflection coating positioned in front of said transparent cover.

44. (Withdrawn) The liquid crystal display as claimed in claim 43 wherein said transparent cover is selected from the group consisting of a glass plate and a plastic plate.

Claims 45-54 (Canceled).